

(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonate, tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine, a tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine salt, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, a tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane salt, imidazole or collidine.

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37. (Amended) The method for stabilizing glucose dehydrogenase for use in glucose sensors in accordance with any of claim 22 to 36, wherein said reaction layer further contains maleic acid, a maleate, succinic acid, a succinate, triethanol amine, a triethanol amine salt, citric acid, a citrate, dimethyl glutaric acid, 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonic acid, a 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonate, tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine, a tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine salt, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, a tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane salt, imidazole or collidine.

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38. (Twice Amended) A glucose dehydrogenase composition for use in glucose sensors, said composition containing glucose dehydrogenase whose coenzyme is pyrrolo-quinoline quinone, and at least one additive selected from the group consisting of phthalic acid, a phthalate, maleic acid, a maleate, triethanol amine, a triethanol amine salt, dimethyl glutaric acid, (N-morpholino)ethane sulfonic acid, a 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonate, tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine, a tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine salt, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, a tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane salt, imidazole or collidine.

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54. (Amended) The glucose dehydrogenase composition for use in glucose sensors in accordance with any of claims 39 to 53, wherein said reaction layer further contains maleic acid, a maleate, succinic acid, a succinate, triethanol amine, a triethanol amine salt, citric acid, a citrate, dimethyl glutaric acid, 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonic acid, a 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonate, tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine, a tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine salt, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, a tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane salt, imidazole or collidine.

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55. (Amended) A glucose sensor comprising an electrically insulating base plate, an electrode system including at least a working electrode and a counter electrode formed on said base plate, and a reaction layer which is formed in contact with or in the vicinity of said electrode system wherein said reaction layer contains: at least one stabilizer selected from the group consisting of a metal salt, an organic acid, a protein, and a sugar and a derivative thereof; a glucose dehydrogenase whose coenzyme is pyrrolo-quinoline quinone; and a buffer selected from the group consisting of maleic acid, a maleate, triethanol amine, a triethanol amine salt, citric acid, a citrate, dimethyl glutaric acid, 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonic acid, a 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonate, tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine, a tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine salt, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, a tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane salt, imidazole or collidine.

64. (Twice Amended) A method for stabilizing glucose dehydrogenase for use in glucose sensors, wherein a stabilizer and a buffer are added to glucose dehydrogenase whose coenzyme is pyrrolo-quinoline quinone,

said stabilizer being selected from the group consisting of a metal salt, an organic acid, a protein, and a sugar and a derivative thereof, and said buffer being selected from the group consisting of maleic acid, a maleate, triethanol amine, a triethanol amine salt, dimethyl glutaric acid, 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonic acid, a 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonate, tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine, a tris(hydroxymethyl)glycine salt, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, a tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane salt, imidazole or collidine.

73. (Twice Amended) A glucose dehydrogenase composition for use in glucose sensors, said composition containing: at least one stabilizer selected from the group consisting of a metal salt, an organic acid, a protein, and a sugar and a derivative thereof; a glucose dehydrogenase whose coenzyme is pyrrolo-quinoline quinone; and a buffer selected from the group consisting of maleic acid, a maleate, triethanol amine, a triethanol amine salt, dimethyl glutaric acid, 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonic acid, a 2-(N-morpholino)ethane sulfonate,